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TO OUR PEOPLE

The rightist military dictatorship is ruling for one year. For one year the bread of our people got smaller, unemployment and price increases have mounted. The ruin of the peasants and tradesmen, as well as the bankruptcies have accelerated. A handful local and foreign monopolies made big profits. The bajonett of the generals could not solve a problem. The crises is deepening. The discontent of our people is increasing day by day.

Terrorism settled down. The fascist MHP (*) is going to be tried. But the most reactionary forces inside and outside the junta are exerting intensive efforts in order to white-wash the fascist murderers. On the other hand, tens of thousands of progressive people and democrats who have nothing to do with terrorism are tortured and put into prisons. The functionaries of DISK are under arrest. The workers' parties and the democratic mass organisations are closed down. An intensive onslaught and provocation campaign is launched against the CPT which is struggling for the demands of the working class and our people, and our national interests. But the ruling classes will never reach their aims. The CPT, on its 61st anniversary of its founding, is living among our people and their struggle.

The security of our people and our country faces today far more bigger dangers than ever. The USA is intending to make use of our country for its "Rapid Deployment Force" and to turn our territory into a spring-board for their aggression. It is driving the humanity towards the danger to be annihilated in a nuclear war. In this situation it is necessary to make a choice between the peaceful future of our country, or the diktat of the Reagan administration.

It is impossible to root out terrorism, without curbing the crises, cleaning the fascists within the army and the state, without withdrawing the CIA agents from our country and the US bases from our territory. Our people approve neither to be pressed between the bajonet of the junta and terrorism, nor the parliamentarian looking regime which will seize its bread and freedom. Without putting an end to the junta regime, it is impossible to establish a real democracy. Our people demand a real democracy! It is demanding peace, national independence, freedom, bread and jobs! The CPT is the most consistent defender of these demands. For this aim, it is calling all antiimperialist, anti-fascist, antimonopolist and anti-chauvinist forces to unity of action and for a united front.

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INTERVIEW OF COMRADE İ. BİLEN, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE CC OF THE CPT, ON THE RADIO STATION "VOICE OF THE CPT"

Question: Comrade Bilen, the CPT is becoming 62 years old. Besides, on these days, the first year of the ruling military dictatorship is finishing. What does this one year prove?

Comrade Bilen: We are celebrating the 61st anniversary of the founding of our party under very difficult, heavy conditions. I want first greet our comrades who are fulfilling their duties in our country under these difficult conditions and our comrades as well as all the progressive prisoners who are facing torture and repression in the prisons of the military dictatorship. All our party organisations, inside and outside the country, are celebrating the anniversary of the founding of our party in a revolutionary manner. The struggle is continuing.

One reality came obviously into the light during one year: To whom does the policy followed by the generals serve? This policy serves only for the reinforcement of the hegemony of a handful plunderers like Koç, Sabancı on the toilers, and for the strengthening of the positions of US imperialism in our country. This policy is protecting this spoiled order of exploitation, this swamp which is caused by the dependence on imperialism and by the eagerness for profit of a handful monopolies.

Since one year, the junta showed that it is not capable to solve the deep problems of our people and our country. The dictatorship is helpless before these questions. They are clinging themselves to the statement of preventing terrorism. But now, they are letting the people to pay for it. During this one year, the situation of the workers, peasants and of the whole of our people have worsened. The economic crises deepened further more. The fundamental democratic rights are sustained. Terror is exerted through the state on those forces who had not to do anything with terrorism. The sharp edge of the onslaught is directed on the working class, on the people - and on their progressive and patriotic representatives. Innocent people are tortured barbarically, sentenced to long heavy punishments. Young people are executed. The junta closed DISK⁽¹⁾ down and arrested its leaders. Some of them are searched for. The trade unionists are killed in the streets. TIP, TSİP⁽²⁾ and democratic organisations are prohibited. The national and social suppression on the Kurdish people is continuing.

On 12th September, did our people become disguised with only terrorism? Our people demanded new democratic rights, and freedom. But the military dictatorship seized also the existing limited rights of the people. Then, the main exerters of the terrorist actions, are arrested. Now they are tried. But those who fed these bandit of murderers? Where are they? The junta regime, through its policy, is strengthening the reactionary circles inside and outside the army who are trying to protect the fascist MHP. The pro-American, pro-NATO and collaborating forces, the servants of the AP⁽³⁾ and MHP are now preparing themselves to crowd into the "Advisory Assembly" which will donate the junta with

(1) Confederation of Revolutionary Trade Unions

(2) TIP: Workers' Party of Turkey; TSİP : Socialist Workers' Party of Turkey

(3) Justice Party

a constitutional mask. The junta rule, which is not able to protect the patriotic officers, the military attorneys and the judges against the attacks of these forces, how can it root out terrorism?

Who ever gives his hand to imperialism, can not save his arm. Now these are becoming more aggressive. The US administration is demanding new concessions. It is trying to turn our territory to a springboard for its attacks in our region against peace and progress. Luns (4) and the 6th fleet are showing their presence. For Koç and Sabancı nothing is enough. They strive for unlimited hegemony. They want to seize the public enterprises and the agriculture, as well as open every door to foreign capital. Depending on the most reactionary forces inside and outside the army, they are intensifying their diktat. The dangers are growing. First of all, there is the danger of being annihilated in a nuclear war set on fire by imperialism. Without taking a firm position against the diktat of US imperialism, it is impossible to protect the national security of our country and people.

Question: The ruling generals want to convince the people that there is no other way out of the crises than the one which they are following. They say that they have founded a stable regime. What is your opinion? What is a way out?

Comrade Bilen: It is obvious that a reactionary military dictatorship which is following a policy the direction of which is maintaining imperialism and the monopolies is not able to solve any fundamental question. The general crises of capitalism is deepening today throughout the world. The cyclic crises adds it to this. Under these conditions, in countries like ours, the economic, political and social crisis are becoming permanent. This is a structural crises. During last one year, another fact became clear: The crises can not be solved also by the bayonets. The masses are understanding this fact better day by day. The collaborating monopoly bourgeoisie does not have any radical solution to end the crises. But there is the way out of the crises for our people. This way is passing through giving an end to the hegemony of imperialism and the monopolies. First, we must dry the swamp.

The space for manouevres and the possibilities of the collaborating monopolies and the big bourgeoisie, which are ruling through new ways for one year, are narrowing. Empty words don't make satiate. The discontent is deepening. The 24 January programm which is ruining every day new victims can only be implemented on the working people by force. The protest of the people against this programm is increasing. There are even contradictions among those who support this programm. The more the army is included into the brutality, the more the gap between the army and the people is increasing, and this reflects itself also inside the army. This is a basis for the split between the antiimperialist Kemalists and the extreme pro-Americans. The facilities of the forces who are fighting against imperialism, monopolies and the reaction are widening.

Without ending the junta regime, it is impossible to reach a real democracy. The acceleration of the efforts of the broadest national and democratic forces for the establishment of the united front for the actual and fundamental demands of our people pave the way for this. This is the actual task before us.

(4) General Secretary of NATO

Question: The ruling circles accelerated their anticommunist onslaught and provocations. They are claiming to "destroy the CPT". How are you evaluating this onslaught and its results?

Comrade Bilen: This anticommunist onslaught of the reactionary dictatorship is not unexpected and bewildered. Whenever the ruling circles start a severe onslaught on the working class, toilers and democracy, they also attack the CPT. The CPT is a party which is fighting consistently for the interests of the working class, of the toilers, and for democracy. Neither our friends, nor our enemies deny this fact. The onslaught is therefore. You can not fight without having a nosebleed. But we don't belittle our wounds. We have losses. The CPT has worked and is working for to defend its cadres and organisations from this torrent.

The junta rule is declaring mostly exaggerated numbers and names depending on lies. It wants to convince the people that they have "destroyed the CPT" and so to break the hope of the working class and toilers fully. But through this exaggeration, it can not convince even all circles of the bourgeoisie. The columnists of those reactionary newspapers which put headings like "the CPT is destroyed", are writing: "The CPT has its roots deep. It is difficult to root it out. More attack is needed". First, they told that "two thousand members of the CPT are arrested". Now, the sum of the published numbers make not even six hundred. They don't know what they are writing. Which is correct? Only one fact is true: They were not able to destroy the CPT. We must not forget the proverb: Water sleeps, but the enemy not. The symptoms show that the junta is preparing on the following days new attacks. The cadres must be awake. There is one clear fact: The anticommunist onslaught did not and can not reach its end. Any force could and can achieve to isolate our party from the masses. The CPT is living inside the working class, among our people and within their struggles. No force is able to destroy the working class and our people.

Question: This onslaught on the CPT is not new. What are the similar and different aspects of this onslaught from those of the past?

Comrade Bilen: Of course, the onslaught is not new. Further, also the lies which intend to defame our party are the same. They try on the one hand, to hide that the communists are a part of the working class and the bravest sons and daughters of our people. They try to spread the legend of a party "with its roots outside". They say "agents". On the other hand, they claim: "Thousands of communists are arrested... Workers... peasants... craftsmen... teachers... architects... engineers" and they give numbers. They say "the root is deep". They are contradicting themselves. They mumble from fear.

On the one hand, they are banning the CPT through fascist laws. On the other hand, they are attacking the CPT because it has to work illegally. They take statements under tortures and brutal actions. So, they try to accuse the progressives and patriots with being members of the CPT. All this is not new.

For months, they have tried to prove that the CPT is behind the terror. For this, they have done all kinds of tortures, took statements with brutality. But they could not achieve this. Now they are trying to show our party as a foreign force which is trampling the national interests. Look at their proof: "The CPT is giving information to foreign countries on the electric bulb production of

Turkey". Even the crows will laugh at this. This primitiveness is only a proof of the fact that it is becoming more and more difficult to hide the real essence of the CPT from our people. Only one thing in the declarations of the martial law authorities is true. That our party is formed of the most combative and progressive sections of the working class and our people. That it has gained influence on land scale.

All this is on the one side. The police could hit for the first time so little the leading core of our party. The newspapers are writing: "It was thought that after the arrests of 1951 the CPT was destroyed. Now it is coming more stronger in front of us." They should not doubt. Tomorrow, we are going to face them more stronger. Our working class, quantitively and qualitatively is today more stronger than yesterday. Today, our party is in the hearts of hundreds of thousands. On May Day actions hundreds of thousands shouted in squares: "Freedom to the CPT!" How broad the arrests be, it is impossible to erase this fact, which is bared in the minds of the masses with hard struggles.

The martial law, the terror and the brutal tortures are sharpening the conviction, the hatred and anger of the communists. The tortures are not new. Indeed, the methods and forms are developed. The tortures are exercised under the direction of US specialists, both in rough and refined ways. They are getting sometimes results. But the ruling classes can not achieve inspite of this their aims. Numerous communists, numerous progressives and patriots, the most brave daughters and sons of our people hold their heads high during these tortures.

Tomorrow, the court cases will start. They will try again to hide the realities from our people. But, they have arrested so many people as members of the CPT. They will not be able to silence them. All of the tortures will come into light. The public opinion will see who is going to be tried as members of the CPT and that they all are representatives of the workers and the toilers. As progressive patriots, they will express the problems of the people, as well as defend the views of the CPT as its members they are accused with. What is the CPT demanding? For what is it struggling? Our people will hear once more this from these patriots in the court halls. Our people will see that those who are put there as guilties are in reality those who are trying this spoiled order, and understand who is guilty in reality. The progressive forces who will see that the anticommunist onslaught is directed to all democratic forces will help in bringing the realities to light.

There is another important problem tackled with this. These court cases should not take place secretly from the people and behind cloosed doors! The revolutionary, the communist has no secret view from the people!

Question: It is declared that the Plenary meeting of the CC of the CPT took place. What are the perspectives the Plenary meeting drew for the working class and our people?

Comrade Bilen: Today we are in the phase of withdrawal for collecting new strength. The attacks are succeeding each other. But the withdrawal does not mean to withdraw from the middst of the masses and from the struggle. This means to turn to new forms of organisation and struggle. The Plenary meeting confirmed that also under the conditions of the military dictatorship the creation of a broad mass movement is possible.

We must look at the progress from a historical point of view. How strong

the reaction may seem today, the foundation on which it is basing, is not strong. Its space for movement is not widening, but narrowing. The developments since 10 years as well as since one year prove this. Also this military dictatorship will collapse. And the government of the national and democratic forces will be established!

It is the struggle of the masses that will determine the end. One factor which is making difficult for the masses to unite their efforts, is the split at the rows of the working class and the democratic forces. Therefore, the Plenary meeting drew the attention of the party cadres to the task of establishing the united front of all antiimperialist, antifascist, antimonopolist and anti-chauvinistic forces. Every step reinforcing the unity of action with TIP and TSIP will pave the way for the political unity, and will facilitate the fulfilment of this task.

Finally I want to express one thing. The Plenary meeting decided to complete the preparations of the V. Congress of the CPT. Our party which was able to convene its Plenary meeting under such difficult conditions, will also be able to convene its Congress. Indeed, this congress will be a historical event, a new and strong upsurge for our party. We will also finish this task with success.

I congratulate all communists inside and outside the prisons, our working class and our people on the occasion of the 61st anniversary of the founding of the CPT.

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THE CPT PARTICIPATED IN THE " CONFERENCE OF THE COMMUNIST AND WORKERS' PARTIES OF THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN, THE NEAR AND MIDDLE EAST AND THE RED SEA"

On behalf of the CPT, a delegation participated in the "Conference of the Communist and Workers' Parties of the Eastern Mediterranean, the Near and Middle East and the Red Sea."

At the conference, the situation in this part of the world was discussed on the light of the international development. The fraternal parties spoke on the tasks which they are facing and the necessity to reinforce the antiimperialist unity.

The participants of the conference underlined that the struggle for peace is an urgent and vital task, and greeted the concrete peace proposals at the XXVI. Congress of the CPSU by comrade L.I. Brezhnev.

The fraternal parties participating in the conference, expressed that the world-wide unity of the communists on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism is a fundamental factor for promoting the unity of all antiimperialist and anti-war forces. They underlined the importance of the convention of a world conference of the communist and workers' parties.

The fraternal parties participating in the Conference expressed once more their solidarity with the CPT, with communists and progressive forces of Turkey.

The representative of the CPT, addressing the conference, pointed out the complex international developments and the aggressive and adventurist policy

of imperialism, especially of the US administration. Said that the most burning problem in front of the humanity is to defend peace. And continued: "The deployment of new US missiles in Western Europe, as well as the decision of the US administration to produce the neutron bomb, the bloody attacks of Israel against the Palestine and Lebanese people, as well as the provocations of US imperialism against the people of Libya, the widening of the US bases in our region in different countries, as well as the plans to deploy the US "Rapid Deployment Forces" in our region are the elements of the very same aggressive policy". Drew the attention on the cooperation of the Peking hegemonists with imperialism. And underlined the importance of the unity of the broadest peace forces and all antiimperialist forces.

The representative of the CPT declared the views of the CPT for a lasting and just peace in the Near and Middle East. Pointed out the concrete peace proposals of comrade L.I.Brezhnev on the XXVI. Congress of the CPSU. Said that the peace proposals of the Soviet Union with regard of the Mediterranean, the Near and Middle East, and the Persian Gulf are for the benefit of all peoples.

The representative of the CPT who continued the speech with the description of the conditions under the military dictatorship in Turkey, told the implementations of the junta for one year. Described the repression of the junta which seized the power with the claim of rooting out terrorism, on those forces who opposed terrorism consistently, on the working class and its political and trade union organisations. Spoke on the onslaught against the CPT, the progressive forces and the suppression on the Kurdish people.

The representative of the CPT said that the CPT is struggling for more than 60 years against the national and social suppression on the Kurdish people. The CPT is defending the right to self determination of the Kurdish people and supporting the demand of autonomy. Said that imperialism tries to make use of the national oppression on the Kurdish people and to turn the Kurdish movement into a tool against the progressive forces in our country and in our region. The representative of the CPT said that our party is defending the view of handling this question in each country with regard of the national and international tasks of the working class in that country.

The representative of the CPT underlined that the convention of the Plenary meeting of the CC of the CPT under such conditions was a revolutionary respond to the enemy, spoke then on this meeting. Mentioned the importance of the Plenary meeting with regard of the united front of all antiimperialist, antifascist, antimonopolist and anti-chauvinistic forces. Said that the joint demonstration of the progressive forces on the first year of the military coup in Federal Germany, is an important step in this direction.

The representative of the CPT who pointed out on some realistic elements in the foreign policy of the junta such as the reducement of the relations with Israel and the unwillingness to donate facilities for the US "Rapid Deployment Force" are not in full cohesion with the policy of Pentagon and NATO. Said that the most reactionary, pro-American and collaborating circles intensified their activities. Some sections of the collaborating monopoly bourgeoisie which is unable to go out of the crises, create big dangers because of the expansionist illusions of these sections. Underlined the importance of the unity of the progressive and antiimperialist forces in Turkey, also with regard of these dangers.

The representative of the CPT told that the CPT is accepting the document of the conference and that the conference will further reinforce the unity of

all antiimperialist forces in the region. Said that the CPT is of the view that this conference will be also a further step in the convention of a world conference of the communist and workers' parties, which is necessary under the conditions of the recent international development.

The representative of the CPT thanked to all fraternal parties which are in solidarity with the CPT, the communists and progressive forces in Turkey.

CPT TOOK PART IN THE THEORETICAL CONFERENCE ON THE MODERNISATION STRATEGY IN THE COUNTRIES OF THE CAPITALIST PERIPHERY

The CPT took part in the theoretical conference on "The modernisation strategy in the countries of the capitalist periphery and the targets of the revolutionary struggle", organised by the journal "Problems of Peace and Socialism". The CPT handed a 13 page report to the meeting. The representative of the CPT who addressed the meeting summed up the contents of the report.

Speaking on the "modernisation strategy" which is implemented in Turkey under the name of "24 January programm", the representative gave the following data:

Before this programm, the industry of dependent import substitution was in a crises because of the lack of foreign exchange; the yearly inflation rate was over 100%; the trade union movement in Turkey raised. Said that the CPT is qualifying this crises as a structural one, which is caused by the dependence on imperialism and by the extreme exploitation of the monopolies.

The programm which was prepared by the International Monetary Fond (IMF) and the collaborating monopoly bourgeoisie and which is implemented since 1980, is containing the following measures: Facilities for the foreign capital, big burdens for the non-monopolist sections, wage freezes, the abolition of the subsidies of the state to the non-monopolistic sections, low agricultural prices, succeeding devaluations, the socalled "scarce money policy", and a series of measures to promote the export.

The representative of the CPT summed up the results of this programm which is continued also under the military regime, as the following: The yearly inflation rate decreased to 40-50%; the growth rate became -2.2%; the industry is working only with 40% capacity; the unemployment grew in two years from 20% to 22%. It is aimed at an economy which is consuming the diktat of the imperialist monopolies and producing the demands of the foreign market.

The representative spoke on the rapid monopolization process in Turkey and underlined that the strength of the monopolies in Turkey is not caused by their big share in the national income, but from their collaboration with imperialism and the support they are getting from the state.

Said: Today 300 great industry -and trade holdings and 5 big banks have a determining position in the Turkish economy. 10 great monopoly groups at the top are getting the lions' share. The elements of the state monopoly capitalism are growing. The upper sections of the bureaucracy including the generals, are taking part in the executives of the monopolies. The cooperation of the army foundations and the monopoly group OYAK with the imperialist arms monopo-

lies paves the way for the first elements of a new kind military-industry complex.

The representative of the CPT spoke then on the ruining affects of this programm on the working people and the majority of the population. Said that such a programm could only be implemented by force and brutality. The 24 January programm could not even reach the targets which were foreseen. First of all, the deficit in the foreign trade is growing. The representative pointed out that because of the deepening of the general crises of capitalism and the influence of the cyclic crises, this "modernisation strategy" has very little chance to success. The only way out of the crises will be prepared by the united front of all national and democratic forces.

CPT PARCIPATED IN THE PRESS FESTIVALS OF FRATERNAL PARTIES

"Atılım", the central organ of the CC of the CPT was represented in the press festivals of "Avante", organ of the Portugese Communist Party, of "l'Humanite", organ of the French Communist Party, and of "l'Unita", organ of the Italian Communist Party.

— information —

A MILITARY DICTATORSHIP IS RULING TURKEY FOR ONE YEAR

On 12 September 1981, the reactionary military dictatorship in Turkey finished its first year. According to official data, in this one year: 459 persons were killed or died (the majority of them during the raids of the security forces or in the streets) 10 persons are executed (2 from right, 8 from left), 20 365 persons are arrested and 70 746 persons are detained (the overwhelming majority of them are from the left). According to the progressive people of the country, 30 persons lost their lives during the brutal tortures.

During this one year, the junta continued the socalled "24 January programm" with the statement that "this will bring Turkey out of the deep crises". At the end of the first year of the junta, the foreign dept of the country makes 25 billions dollars, the unemployment 22 %; the minimun wages are freezed with 10 000 TL which makes not even one third of the amount necessary to maintain a 3 member family, hundreds of small enterprices went bankrupt, small producers were ruined because of the law prices for the agrarian products... The junta was only able to reduce the yearly inflation rate to 40-50% and is propagating that this is a low amount. New regulations are accepted delivering the foreign capital with big facilities.

The junta seized the power, claiming to root out terrorism. A court case is started against the functionaries and members of the fascist Nationalist Action

Party, the main responsible of terrorism. But the fascist elements in the army, in the state apparatus are preserving their positions. The most reactionary, pro-American and collaborating circles activate their efforts in order to white-wash the fascist murderers. These sections exert pressure and threats on the patriotic officers, military attorneys and judges.

As seen from the official data above, the military dictatorship directs the sharp edge of its attacks on the working class, on progressive and patriotic forces, and their organisations. 55 left organisations, 13 Kurdish organisations, and only 5 rightist organisations are going to be tried until now. The functionaries of the Confederation of Revolutionary Trade Unions (DİSK) are set equal with the fascist murderer and capital punishment is demanded for them.

The generals said that they are intending to establish a firm base of a democracy. 314 new laws passed through the "National Security Council". Most of these laws are those which limit and abolish the fundamental rights and freedoms. The socalled "Constituent Assembly" makes only a constitutional mask for the military regime. As declared before, the members of this "assembly" are appointed by the "National Security Council".

At the end of the first year of the military regime, as it is stated in the Communique of the CC of the CPT of 12 August 1981, "the mood of masses is changing towards the 12 September coup. Support gives way to vassilation, and vassilation gives way to discontent".

The protest declarations and actions:

On 12 September 1981, the first anniversary of the military coup, numerous declarations were made inside the country. Especially in numerous factories the workers issued and distributed leaflets which are displaying the anti-democratic laws, implementations and the repression of the junta. In many factories the protest declarations were signed and distributed by the members of DİSK (the prohibited trade union center) and Türk-İş (the still open trade union center). DİSK and Türk-İş members expressed in these leaflets also their will for a united trade union center and underlined the necessity of the unity of action of all progressive and patriotic forces.

The progressive youth of Turkey issued and distributed a statement where the anti-democratic measures in factories, universities and schools are condemned, and the patriotic youth of the country is called to antiimperialist unity.

Trade-union functionaries from Maden-İş and Bank-Sen (affiliated to DİSK), in their joint appeal, called all the members of DİSK and Türk-İş to unite their efforts for their daily demands, as well as for trade union unity, for democratic rights and freedoms and against the diktat of imperialism. In this appeal, the capital punishment demand for 52 functionaries and members of DİSK is condemned. Freedom to trade union activity is demanded and the heavy repression on most of the trade unions affiliated to Türk-İş is critised. The attention is drawn on the mounting dismissals, especially against the progressive minded workers. And all progressive minded persons are called to raise the solidarity with the working class.

Ahmet Muhtar Sökücü, president of the Progressive Youth Association of Turkey (İGD), in his statement on 12 September 1981, condemned the anti-youth measures and methods of the military regime. He pointed at the tortures, raids, and searches. He described the new measures depriving the universities of autonomy, the unemployment hitting first of all the youth, the ban

on trade union activity and on the democratic mass organisations. Sökücü, saluted the brave representatives of the youth who hold their heads high under tortures. And called all progressive and patriotic young people to unite their efforts.

The demonstration of unity of action:

The "Initiative for Solidarity with the Democrats of Turkey" in Federal Germany called for a joint demonstration on 12 September 1981 in Dortmund, on the occasion of the first anniversary of the military coup in Turkey. The demonstration in Dortmund was supported by many and different democratic organisations of the progressive forces from Turkey in Federal Germany. FİDEF (Federation of the Workers' Associations in Federal Germany), DİB-FAK (Unity for Democracy), Solidarity Committee with the newspaper *Gerçek*, Democratic Workers' Associations of Kurdistan among them, participated in this demonstration under common slogans and common demands. The demonstration in Dortmund, where more than eight thousand people participated in, turned to a demonstration of unity of action.

On behalf of the "Initiative for Solidarity with the Democrats of Turkey", Klaus Thüsing, MP from the Social Democrat Party, addressed the participants and condemned the tortures, the arrests and repression in Turkey. He criticised the government of F. Germany because of its aid to the military rulers, especially the military aid.

The speakers from Turkey, among them Gültekin Gazioğlu, the president of the Progressive Teachers' Association, Veli Gürcan, İhsan Aksoy and Murat Yılmaz, underlined the importance of unity of action of all democratic forces under the conditions of the military dictatorship.

Mrs. Behice Boran, the president of the Workers' Party of Turkey (TİP) said among others: "The differences among the democratic and progressive forces in qualifying the junta are not hindering the realisation of the unity of action among them and should not be an obstacle."

Aydın Engin, the general director of the progressive daily "Politika" repeated once more the concrete task in front of the democratic forces of the country: "The task of the establishment of the united front of all antiimperialist, antifascist, antimonopolist and anti-chauvinistic forces is facing us all."

The meeting was supported by many organisations in Federal Germany. Young Socialists, the Socialist Workers' Youth of Germany, MSB Spartakus, The Young Democrats, numerous democratic organisations of women, of antifascist fighters sent solidarity messages. The meeting was also supported by comrade Herbert Mies, president of the German Communist Party.

Comrade İ. Bilen, General Secretary of the Communist Party of Turkey, in his message to the demonstration thanked to the German Communist Party for its solidarity on the basis of the principle of proletarian internationalism. Comrade Bilen greeted all participants of the demonstration and underlined that this joint action is a big achievement of all democratic forces of Turkey.

TO THE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE CC OF THE CPT

We want to express our cordial thanks for the message You have sent to our IV. Congress. We wish that the relations between our peoples should strengthen for the cause of peace and independence. We wish You good health and great success in Your responsible duty in the interest of the people.

22 July 1981

Pen Sovan
General Secretary
People's Revolutionary Party of
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TO THE CC OF THE CP OF BELGIUM

Esteemed comrades,

On behalf of all communists of Turkey and of the working people of our country, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey congratulates the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Communist Party of Belgium cordially.

Since its founding, the communist Party of Belgium is in the fore front of the struggles for the interests and demands of the broad toiling masses. It is struggling to establish the unity of the broadest possible left forces against the hegemony of the monopolies. Against the aggressive and adventurist policy of the US administration and the ruling circles of NATO, it is defending the peace, the detente and the disarmament. It is in the front most line of the struggle against the plans of deploying new American missiles to Western Europe and against the neutron bomb.

Comrades,

The rightist military dictatorship which seized power on 12 September 1980, is continuing to direct the sharp edge of its attacks on the working class, its political and trade union organisations, and on progressive and patriotic forces. We want to express our gratitude once more for Your solidarity with the communists and progressive forces of Turkey who are opposing the diktat of imperialism, and who are fighting against the exploitation of the collaborating monopolies, the dependence on NATO, and the onslaught of the military regime.

The Communist Party of Turkey is bound with the Communist Party of Belgium on the basis of common struggle ideals and internationalist solidarity fraternally. We wish great success to the Communist Party of Belgium on the 60th anniversary of its founding.

4 September 1981

With our communist greetings
I. Bilen
General Secretary
CC, CPT

TO COMRADE TODOR ZHIVKOV GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE BULGARIAN COMMUNIST PARTY

Very esteemed comrade Todor Zhivkov,

On behalf of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey and on my own behalf, I congratulate You cordially on occasion of Your 70th birthday and convey You the militant revolutionary greetings of the working class of Turkey.

The communists of our country know You as a prominent fighter of the Bulgarian working class and of the international communist movement. They know closely Your contributions to the class struggles in Bulgaria before the revolution, Your braveness in the struggle against the fascist occupants and their local collaborateurs, Your responsible duty during the antifascist people's uprising on the 9th of September, and Your successes in Your responsible duties at the rows of the Bulgarian Communist Party which is guiding

the building of socialism in the People's Republic of Bulgaria.

The public opinion of our country is paying a special attention to the efforts of the socialist Bulgaria in defending and developing peace and security in the Balkans, as well as in the world. It is appreciating highly especially Your efforts in the direction of the development of the relations between Turkey and the People's Republic of Bulgaria, between these two neighbouring countries.

Very esteemed comrade Todor Zhivkov,

On the occasion of Your 70th birthday, we wish You many new successes in Your responsible duty, and a long life, good health and well-being.

With our communist greetings

7 September 1981

I. Bilen
General Secretary
CC, CPT

**TO COMRADE LUIS CORVALAN
GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE CC OF THE CP OF CHILE**

Esteemed comrade Luis Corvalan,

On behalf of the CC of the Communist Party of Turkey and on my own behalf, I congratulate You on the occasion of Your 65th birthday and convey the militant revolutionary greeting of the working class of our country and of all communists of Turkey.

The communists of our country know You as a brave fighter of the working class of Chile and of the international communist movement. For long years, You have occupied responsible duties at the rows of the Communist Party of Chile. Under the most hard conditions You have been always faithful to the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism. The communists and the working class of Turkey appreciate highly Your efforts as the General Secretary of the CC of the CP of Chile in regard of the unity of the people's forces in Chile. The progressive and patriotic forces of our country who are under the repression of the reactionary military dictatorship since 12 September 1980, never abandoned and will never abandon the solidarity with the fraternal people of Chile.

Esteemed comrade Corvalan,

On the occasion of Your 65th birthday, we wish You success in Your responsible duty, good health and well-being, and the people of Chile days when the sun of freedom will shine again.

With our communist greetings

14 September 1981

I. Bilen
General Secretary
CC, CPT

**TO COMRADE YUMZHAGIIN TSEDENBAL GENERAL SECRETARY OF
THE MONGOLIAN PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY PARTY;**

Very esteemed comrade Yumzhagiin Tsedenbal,

On behalf of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey and on my own behalf, I congratulate You cordially on the occasion of Your 65th birthday and convey You the militant revolutionary greetings of the communists of Turkey and of the working class of our country.

The working class and all progressive forces of our country know You as the organiser of the achievements of the Mongolian people in realizing to orient to socialism without following the capitalist way, and of the successes in completing the material and technical basis of socialism and in changing the country into an industrial-agrarian one, as the experienced leader of the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party, and as a prominent fighter

of the world communist movement. The communists of Turkey are appreciating highly Your contribution to reinforce the indissoluble bonds between the Lenin's Party and the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party. The fraternal bonds between the Communist Party of Turkey and the Mongolian People's Revolutionary Party, on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, are strengthening day by day. The Communist Party of Turkey is supporting fully Your efforts against the instigations of imperialism and Peking hegemonism to preserve peace in the world as well as in the Far East.

Very esteemed comrade Yumzhagiin Tsedenbal,

We wish You on Your 65th birthday great successes in Your responsible duty, and good health, well-being and a long life.

With our communist greetings

I. Bilen

General Secretary

CC, CPT

17 September 1981

TO THE XXVI. CONGRESS OF THE LEFT PARTY-COMMUNISTS OF SWEDEN

Esteemed comrades,

On behalf of all communists of Turkey and of the working class of our country, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey greets the XXVI. Congress of the Left Party-Communists of Sweden with most cordial feelings.

Your Congress takes place in a period when imperialism, first of all US, has turned to the policy of confrontation with the socialist countries, and is trying to suppress the national and social liberation struggle of the peoples, fanning the arms race to the dimensions of challenging the whole of humanity, and is producing the neutron bomb. In such a period, the consistent peace policy of the Soviet Union and the socialist countries is the most solid guarantee of all peace forces.

Your Congress takes place in a period when the exploitation of the workers and toilers in Sweden is increasing further more and the burden of the crisis is overwhelmed mercilessly on the working masses. The Left Party-Communists of Sweden is playing an influential role in the struggle to limit the hegemony of the monopolies.

The anticommunist onslaught in our country which is ruled since 12 September 1980 by a rightist military dictatorship, is growing severely. This onslaught which is accompanied by the intensive anti-Soviet campaign of the most reactionary, pro-American and pro-fascism forces inside and outside the army, is intending to bind the progressive and patriotic forces with the chain of ban on the Communist Party of Turkey. Parallel to all these, the US administration and the ruling circles of NATO are intensifying their diktat on our country in order to use her for their aggressive and adventurist aims. Under these conditions of terror, the Communist Party of Turkey is struggling to establish the single front of all national democratic forces against the diktat of imperialism and the wild exploitation of the monopolies.

Comrades,

We want on this occasion to convey the thanks of the democratic forces of our country since in Sweden you are at the forefront of the solidarity movement with the democrats of our country. The Communist Party of Turkey and the Left Party-Communists of Sweden are bound with common struggle ideals and internationalist ties.

We wish great success to your XXVI. Congress.

24 September 1981

With our communist greetings

I. Bilen

General Secretary

CC, CPT

